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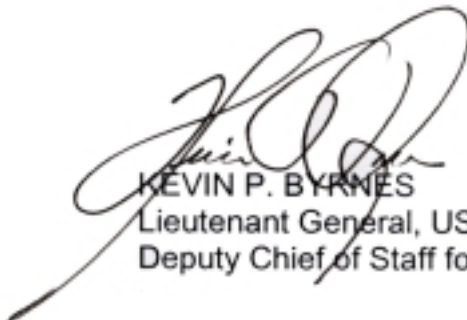
SUBJECT: 2001 Army Modernization Plan

In October 1999, the Army unveiled a new Vision, focused on people, readiness and transformation. Since then, the Army has moved out across all fronts to achieve the goals of this Vision. We are implementing the Vision and have embarked on a bold and comprehensive journey to an Objective Force that will be responsive and dominant across the entire spectrum of current and future military operations. We will do so while always maintaining our non-negotiable contract with the American people "to fight and win the Nation's wars."

This year's Modernization Plan provides the 'how to' description of the Army's force development effort to support and implement Transformation. It describes new Modernization and Investment Strategies adopted by the Army that place priority on pursuing advanced technologies and developing systems to meet future requirements.

This Modernization Plan describes how modernization efforts are supporting Army Transformation by building combat capable units using a comprehensive and balanced approach. In addition to implementing a fundamentally new emphasis in its Modernization and Investment Strategies, the Army has also adopted a modified construct in organizing its individual systems and programs. Reflecting this change, these programs are portrayed in the annexes to this Modernization Plan in terms of their role in providing the operational capabilities needed for future joint operations as identified in *Joint Vision 2020*.

Congress and the Department of Defense have responded positively to the Army's Transformation plan by providing additional resources to create initial momentum. The Presidential Budget for fiscal year 2002 reflects recognition of the accomplishments of the Army in successfully beginning Transformation. Continued support is imperative, however, for success in achieving Transformation while preserving the Army's unwavering commitment to the Nation.


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